संस्कृति पर प्रचार माध्यमों का पड़ने वाला दुष्प्रभाव

5705. **श्रीमती सरला माहेश्वरी:** क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार जन प्रचार माध्यमों, विशेषकर इलैक्ट्रानिक माध्यमों का संस्कृति के क्षेत्र पर पड़ने वाले संभावित प्रभावों के संबंध में निगरानी रख रही है; यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में सरकार का दृष्टिकोण क्या है; और

(ख) सरकार संस्कृति को अपसंस्कृति की बुराई से बचाने और स्वस्थ्य संस्कृति का विकास करने के लिए क्या कदम उठा रही है?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय शिक्षा विभाग और संस्कृति विभाग उप मंत्री (कुमारी शैलजा): (क) और (ख) जन प्रचार माध्यमों एवं पर्यटन के विश्वव्यापी-करण के संदर्भ में संस्कृति का पुनरावलोकन करने तथा इन क्षेत्रों में संभावित अंतर्संबंधों और विकासात्मक क्रियाकलापों की सिफ़ारिश करने हेतु सूचना एवं प्रसारण मंत्रालय के सचिव की अध्यक्षता में एक सरकारी समिति गठित की गई है, जिसमें सचिव, संस्कृति विभाग, सचिव, पर्यटन मंत्रालय का तथा अन्य वरिष्ठ अधिकारी शामिल हैं।

Representation regarding Appointment of Vice Chancellor Delhi University

5706. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation signed by 31 Members of Parliament regarding cancellation of appointment of Prof. Mehta as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Delhi;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (KM. SELJA): (a) and (b) A representation containing allegations of irregularities against Prof. Mehta pertaining to the period he was Vice-Chancellor, Jodhpur and Kota Open Universities has been received by the President of India as Visitor of the University of Delhi.

(c) The appointment of Prof. Mehta as Vice-Chancellor was made by the Visitor on the strength of an Integrity Certificate issued by the competent authority in Rajasthan. It has since been confirmed by the Government of Rajasthan that a preliminary enquiry in the allegations contained in the representation referred to in part (a) above was conducted and the charges against Prof. Mehta were not substantiated.

Expenditure on Education

5707. SHRI G.G. SWELL:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 171 given in the Rajya Sabha on 24th March, 1995 and state:

(a) what are the reasons to finance higher education when primary, women and vocation education is lagging behind; and

(b) whether Government have any self financing scheme far higher education based on cheap loan from banks for needy students?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (KM. SELJA): (a) It is necessary to take a holistic view of the education as a whole. While Government accords a high priority to primary, vocational and women's education, higher education has its own importance as it provides qualified man power for the national system including primary, women and vocational education.

(b) Yes, Sir. Commercial Banks are providing educational loans to students pursuing higher education. This facility is expected to increase with time.